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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

Application Number	09/596,195
Filing Date	June 17, 2000
First Named Inventor	Jason Wilcox et al.
Group Art Unit	3622
Examiner Name	Arthur D. Duran
Attorney Docket No.	MICR0216

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other:

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME:** Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the Final Office Action dated January 7, 2003, set to expire on April 7, 2003, and previously extended by one month to expire on May 7, 2003, be further extended by two (2) additional months to expire on July 7, 2003. The difference of \$820 (between the large entity one month fee of \$110 (already paid) and the 3-month large entity extension of time fee of \$930) is included in our check noted below under Item 3.

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

Computation of Fee For Claims as Amended					
	Claims Remaining after Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	21	20	1	x \$18	\$18
Independent Claims	7	3	4	x \$84	336
07/03/2003 CCHAU1 00000143 09596195				Additional Claim Fees for Amendment	\$354
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				Additional 2 Months (3 total) Extension of Time Fees	820
				ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	\$1924

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a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **01-1940**:

- i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
- ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii.  Other Additional required fees

b.  Check No. **6764** in the amount of \$1924 is enclosed. This includes the large entity RCE filing fee of \$750, the difference of \$820 for the additional large entity 2 months extension of time fee, and the large entity \$354 additional claim fees.

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Typed/Printed Name

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Signature

Ron AndersonRegistration Number: 28,829Date: July 1, 2003

## EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

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Date of Deposit: July 1, 2003

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

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